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### **CITY AUDITOR REPORT CONFIRMS DJOU'S CONCERNS OF FISCAL INEFFICIENCY**

In response to a City Auditor's report sharply critical of the Department of Enterprise Services (DES), city Councilmember Charles K. Djou (Waikiki-East Honolulu) immediately voiced serious concerns about the management of beachboy concessions and the Honolulu Zoo Train.

"The results were not encouraging and confirm my ongoing belief that the City & County of Honolulu can indeed operate in a more effective and cost-efficient manner. If there was ever a time to be fiscally responsible, this would be that time," Djou said.

The audit exposed serious questions about department organization, planning, fiscal oversight, enforcement of contracts, and questionable tactics used by the department to award city contracts in which state laws may have been ignored regarding the public bidding process.

"Given that there is widespread doubt about the oversight of beachboy concessions on Kuhio Beach as well the recent revelations of questionable tactics used by the city to operate the Zoo Train, it is time to review all operations under DES purview and ensure they promote public confidence in the way the City & County of Honolulu does business," Djou added.

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